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Clackamas Amateur Radio Emergency Services

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CARES IS - a group of Clackamas County FCC licensed amateurs who have voluntarily registered their capabilities and equipment for communications duty when disaster strikes, or for public events. Such public service communications are furnished without compensation to the amateur. Every licensed amateur is eligible for membership in CARES. The only qualifications, other than possession of an Amateur Radio License, is a sincere desire to serve, and the ability to be self sufficient. The possession of emergency powered equipment is desirable, but not a requirement for membership. All applicants must pass a minimum background check by county and state police agencies prior to being approved by the Clackamas County Emergency Manager

The Clackamas ARES functions under the direction of the Clackamas County Emergency Manager (EM) who is responsible through the chain of command to the Clackamas County Sheriff.

The Clackamas County ARRL Emergency Coordinator (EC), who is appointed by the Oregon State SEC, is a member of CARES, and may be an elected officer within the organization, but is not automatically the CARES President.

CARES PROVIDES - an opportunity for FCC licensed amateurs to join an organization whose purpose is to assist any governmental agency within the county of Clackamas during times of emergency. Regular meetings are scheduled throughout the year where regular training sessions are conducted on a variety of emergency communications subjects. A weekly net is held early Sunday evening for the purpose

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of passing along any local ARES information.

CARES EXPECTS - each member to attend the regularly scheduled meetings and training sessions whenever possible. Each member is expected to become proficient in the operation of their own equipment and the ARES equipment at the County Emergency Operations Center. Each member is required to furnish his/her own equipment and necessary outdoor clothing, if needed.

Some members are Search and Rescue Certified, but certification is not mandatory. Each member must be able to work as a communicator within a group, or as a communicator operating in a detached role. Each member must use the required message handling procedures, be able to print legibly, and be able to sometimes work under adverse conditions of stress and weather.

Since emergencies can't be planned, members of CARES may be mobilized at any time of the day, and on any day of the week. Active and contributing members are able to work with their employer to arrange for an absence from their work place for a short time.

CARES APPLICATION -

If you're interested, fill out the form on the back of this brochure and mail it to David Warner, KA7IJK. See address on next panel. You will be contacted in a few days and asked to fill out an application.

MORE INFORMATION - is available if you're interested in helping your neighbors and friends in Clackamas County when an emergency occurs. Please call any of the following CARES members:

Dale LeBarron - W7FBP, - 638-7768
Hal Potter - K7RQ, - 266-2589
Dave Warner- KA7IJK, - 650-0965
Walt Steinbrenner-KA7RRF - 654-4979

Name: _____ Call Sign: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____ Over 18 Years of Age (yes) (no)

Please detatch and mail to:

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